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- Х Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (PTO-1390);
- Х 2. UNSIGNED Declaration/POA;
- X 3. Preliminary Amendment (Claims 4/1) with New Abstract:
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My name and post office address are as stated below:

That I am knowledgeable in the English language and in the language in which the below-identified international application was filed, and that I believe the English translation of the international application

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